

PRIEST DECLARES HE IS INNOCENT

CALLED TO STAND AT CAMORRA TRIAL

Attended by Physician While Giving His Evidence at Vitebro

Vitebro, April 6.—Ciro Vitozzi, the priest, was called in the Court of Assizes today to explain his alleged connection with the Neapolitan Camorra.

It was Vitozzi who secured the release of Enrico Alfano, Ciro Alfano, Abel and Rappia when they were first arrested charged with complicity in the murder of Gennaro Cuccolo and his wife.

The priest has suffered physically from his long confinement in prison, and when he was summoned to the bar he advanced slowly leaning on his cane.

At his elbow was his physician, who explained to the court that he would have to give his patient frequent stimulants to save him from fainting.

Nevertheless the prisoner spoke in a strong voice.

Vitozzi proclaimed himself innocent, expressing surprise that the fact that he was the Godfather of Erricane should have been used against him.

When Vitozzi referred to a woman companion of Erricane, and also of Vitebro, who died in jail, the judge and in a voice charged with emotion, asked permission of the court to leave the room.

The president said: "Erricane is a man and must show his strength. It is impossible to allow him to leave the court every time the name of his dead brother is mentioned."

Erricane, however, explained that it was not the hearing of his brother's name that got on his nerves, but that he did not wish to be present when reference was made to the woman whose name had been linked with that of the poor, innocent Vitebro.

The president permitted him to withdraw in the custody of Carabinieri.

LIGHTING FRANCHISE AT EDMONTON

City Council Enters Into an Agreement With Cleveland Company

(Special to the Times.) Edmonton, April 6.—The city council at its meeting last night, finally decided upon the terms of the agreement with the International Heating & Lighting Co. of Cleveland, for a franchise to manufacture and distribute artificial gas and a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers next month.

REPORTS OF GOLD STRIKES IN QUEBEC

Sixty Thousand Acres Staked—Two Thousand Prospectors Secure Licenses

(Special to the Times.) Cobalt, April 6.—The latest Eldorado is in the province of Quebec, some 50 miles northeast of Hurbyburg, where it is staked some 60,000 acres have already been staked as a result of reports of some good free gold finds.

CIVIC RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FURTHER INFORMATION FOR THE TAXPAYERS

While Increased Valuation in Assessment No Reduction in the Rates

Some further information respecting the municipal standing of the city is contained in the annual report of the city treasurer, soon to be issued, and appended is the statement of the receipts and expenditures. An examination discloses that "fall is not gold that glitters," for while the increase in the city's assessment for the year 1910 had the effect of obliging the owners to contribute much more heavily to the city's revenues, there is no reduction in the rate of taxation.

It is said, however, that some effort will be made this year to make a reduced tax levy, as an offset to the increasing assessment valuations. To the ordinary reader the statement of receipts is apt to be misleading, because included therein are items on capital account for local improvement by laws, etc., and also temporary advances from the bank, balanced by cross entries in the expenditure column, when these advances were repaid during the year covered by the accounts.

Table with 2 columns: Receipts and Expenditures. Includes items like Cash on hand, Land and imp. tax, Health, Education, Government grant, etc.

SECOND MAYORALTY SWEEPSTAKES OF THE YEAR

JOCKEY MORLEY (sotto voce, as he mounts his tried steed and surveys the post entry) "A rather likely looking horse that. There was a time when I don't know but I might have backed him. It is a costly business this maintenance of a racing stable. I am sure I don't know why I stay in the game. But as a good sport, I suppose it is my duty to make some annual sacrifice for the amusement and benefit of the 'common people.'"

SUPPORT FOR STRIKING MINERS

INTERNATIONAL BOARD ENDORSES THEIR STAND

Financial Aid May Be Extended, but Executive Is Non-Committal

(Special to the Times.) Indianapolis, April 6.—The International executive board of the United Mine Workers of America has decided to support the 8,000 miners of Alberta district who suspended work on April 1. It is also understood this endorsement will mean the extending of financial assistance to Alberta mine workers if necessary.

SETTLERS RUSHING TO CANADIAN WEST

Forty-Two Thousand Immigrants Have Passed Through Winnipeg This Year

(Special to the Times.) Winnipeg, April 6.—Immigration through this city during March averaged 1,950 souls per day. Forty-two thousand immigrants passed through this year to March 31.

BURNED TO DEATH

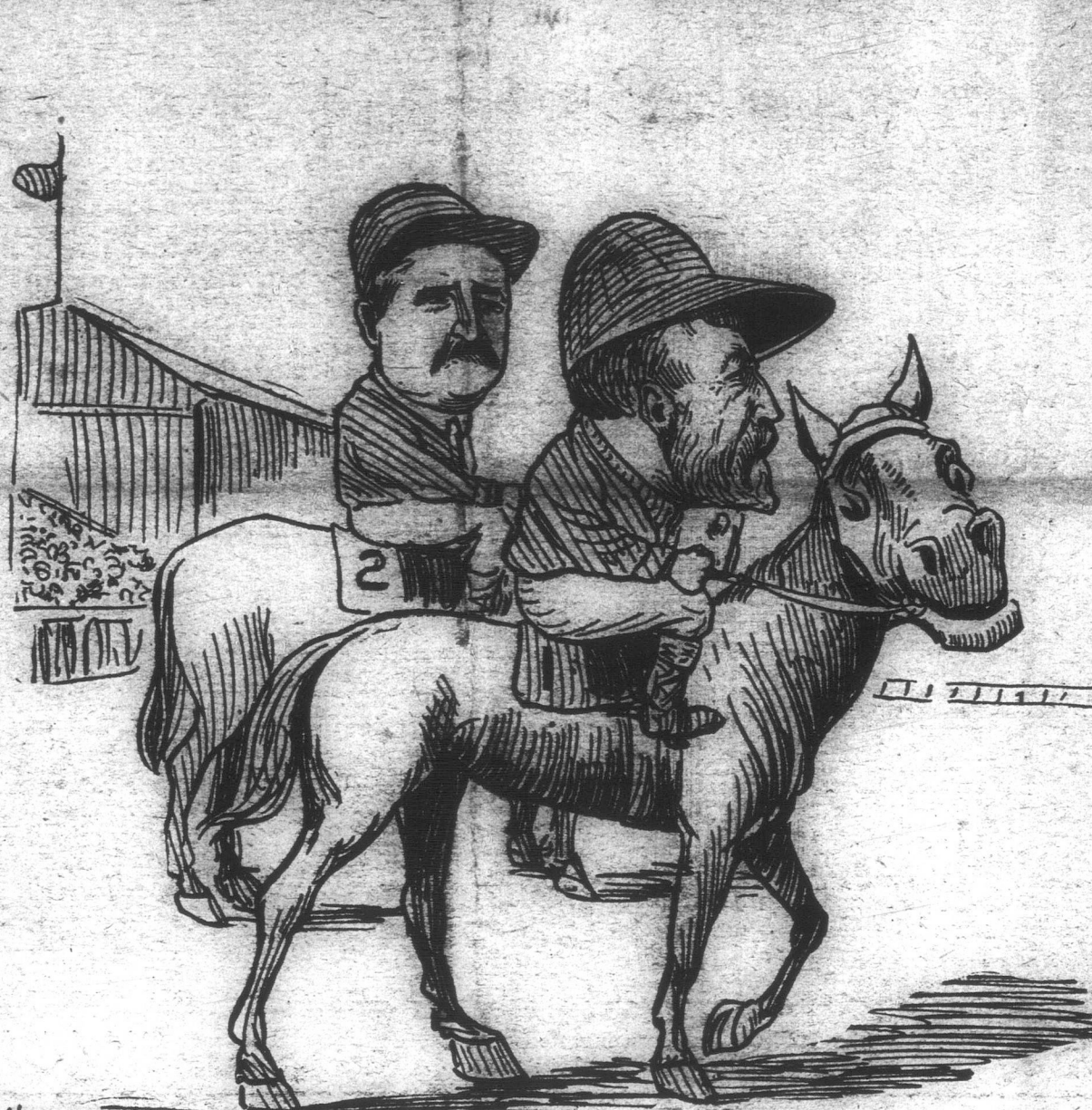
(Special to the Times.) Cornwall, Ont., April 6.—Mrs. Alexander N. E. Martin sustained injuries which will probably prove fatal, and her only child, two years old, was burned to death yesterday, as the result of the mother mistaking a can of gasoline for coal oil.

NEGRO SETTLERS

(Special to the Times.) Edmonton, April 6.—Although the 175 negroes who came to Edmonton two weeks ago expected to get lands around Athabasca Landing, only a few of them went through. Many have gone to Leduc and Lamont, and a good many are still in the city.

SIX YEARS FOR ROBERTY

Lethbridge, April 4.—J. Bealey and W. Owens have been sentenced to six years in the penitentiary for the robbery of a post office at St. Mary's last December.



WILSON

CRAIG LIPPINCOTT ENDS HIS LIFE

Philadelphia, Pa., April 6.—Craig Lippincott, head of the publishing company of J. B. Lippincott Company, and prominent in financial and social life of the city, shot and killed himself early today in his magnificent home at 218 West Rittenhouse square.

BANQUET FOLLOWED BY LIBEL SUIT

Vancouver, April 6.—When the Shamrock football team went to play the local men at Cowichan last summer they little thought that their visit would precipitate a lawsuit between two law-abiding citizens of that municipality, which would be carried to the Court of Appeal. The case in question was the libel suit brought by W. R. Austin against Councillor Tyner, and it arose in this way.

COQUITLAM CASE BEFORE COURT OF APPEAL

Verdict of Jury Awarding Councillor \$500 Damages is Reversed

Mr. Austin is a strict temperance man, but Councillor Tyner scarcely held the same views. For a number of years it had been a rule in Coquitlam that no intoxicating liquors are to be drunk in the municipal hall. Last spring Councillor Tyner, as one of the trustees, allowed a search party to be sent to the hall, and a few whisky bottles were found.

QUEEN'S TRUSTEES TO CONSIDER SEPARATION

Will Discuss Proposal to Sever Connection With Presbyterian Church

(Special to the Times.) Kingston, Ont., April 6.—On April 28 Queen's University trustees will again take up the question of separation from the Presbyterian church. At the last meeting of the General Assembly the trustees were requested to try to come to some agreement, but so far there has been no attempt made except to secure the opinion of the graduates which is strongly in favor of separation.

TWO JAPANESE DROWNED

Vancouver, April 6.—Two Japanese, names unknown, were drowned at Cowichan Bay, near Sechart on Monday.

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